

The Director
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Dear Sirs:

Having just read your editorial on "Academics and the CIA" in your 26 January edition, I would like to offer a constructive comment or two.

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The thrust of your editorial is that the relationship between CIA and members of academia is always bound to be one-sided in favor of the Agency. You note that "relatively few academics receive the benefits [redacted]"

May I suggest to you that to the degree which an academic helps to support his country through the CIA he is benefiting not only himself but all other Americans. Patriotic academics like [redacted] do not cooperate with the CIA for the purpose of helping the CIA, but for the purpose of helping our country.

Beyond that, let me urge you to recognize our policy of publishing as much of our research work as we can in open literature. Enclosed is a list of publications we have recently released. Many of these contained important inputs from academics; many of these are of important value to the entire academic community.

I am sure you did not intend to overlook these benefits that all academics receive from the helpful cooperation of a few members of that community with us.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Stansfield Turner".

STANSFIELD TURNER

Enclosure